About this publication	Description
Publication title	Household Projections for Scotland's Strategic Development Plan Areas and National Parks, 2014-based
Description	Forward projections of the number of households in Scotland's Strategic Development Plan areas and National Parks up to 2039, based on the estimated population of those areas in mid-2014.
Theme	Household Estimates and Projections
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Format	Excel workbooks, Comma Separated Value (CSV), and Adobe Acrobat Portable Document Format (PDF) files
Data that data is acquired	<ul> <li>2014-based population projections for Scottish Areas; National Records of Scotland (NRS)</li> <li>Household Projections for Scotland, 2014-based (NRS)</li> <li>Estimates of Households and Dwellings in Scotland (NRS)</li> <li>Head of household data; Scotland's Census 1991, 2001 and 2011</li> <li>Household type distribution; 2014 Scottish Household Survey</li> <li>Communal establishment data:         <ul> <li>Adult care - Registered establishments (Care Inspectorate) and Care Home Census (Information Services Division, NHS Scotland)</li> <li>Children's care - Registered establishments (Care Inspectorate) and Looked After Children Statistics (Scottish Government)</li> <li>Defence - Armed forces data collection (NRS), Regular Forces by Age and Sex (Defence Analytical Services and Advice) and Scotland's Census 2011</li> <li>Hospitals - SMR01, SMR04 and Continuing Care Census (Information Services Division, NHS Scotland)</li> <li>Hostels - Scotland's Census 2011</li> <li>Hotels and boarding houses - Scotland's Census 2011</li> <li>Prisons - Prison Statistics (Scottish Government)</li> <li>Residential Schools - Education Analytical Services (Scottish Government)</li> <li>Student Halls of Residence (Further education) - Scotland's Census 2011</li> <li>Student Halls of Residence (Higher education) - Communal establishment address list (NRS) and Higher Education Statistics Agency.</li> <li>Other establishments - Scotland's Census 2011</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Date that data is acquired	2016 and 2017
Publication Release date	12 April 2017
Frequency	Every second year

Timeframe of data and timeliness	Data as at mid-year 2014. The projections for Strategic Development Plan areas and National Parks are published following the publication of the 2014-based household projections for Scotland, as they depend on data from this publication.
Continuity of data	Data available on the NRS website going back to 2006. Methodology has changed slightly from year to year up until this set of projections where significant changes have been made to incorporate data from Scotland's Census 2011 and survey data. The method used is detailed in each publication.
Revisions statement	Revisions and corrections to previously published statistics are dealt with in accordance with the Scottish Government Statistician Group corporate policy statement on revisions and corrections - a copy of which is available on the <a href="Scottish Government">Scottish Government</a> website.
	Any revisions, the reason for them and their effects are highlighted on the first paragraph of both web and PDF versions of the publication.
Concepts and definitions	The 'Sources and methods' and 'Definitions' sections of the latest 'Household projections for Scotland's Strategic Development Plan areas and National Parks' (held on the NRS website) will contain all relevant information.
Relevance and key uses of the statistics	Household projections are mainly used for informing local decisions about future housing need and service provision (such as waste collection and community care). The projections feed into development plans, including assessments of housing need and demand for the future. The projections are also used to help inform policy development and for answering requests for information by Ministers, councils, academics, other organisations and the general public.
Accuracy	The household projections have several limitations. A projection is a calculation showing what happens if particular assumptions are made. The household projections are based on the population projections, which assume that past trends in migration, fertility and mortality will continue into the future. The household projections also assume that past trends in household formation from the 1991, 2001 and 2011 Censuses and the Scottish Household Survey will continue. No forecast is made of possible future changes that may alter population growth or household formation. These might include economic and social change or imbalances in housing supply and demand, or local planning policies intended to modify past trends. Specifically, the assumptions do not take account of the recent referendum vote to leave the European Union. Therefore, these projections are not policy-based forecasts of what the Government expects to happen.
	The 2014-based household projection report focuses on the 'principal projection', that is the projection based on the assumptions that we think are most likely to occur, but also includes sections on household projections prepared using alternative population projections. These variant projections reflect possible effects of uncertainty in the assumptions made about migration in the population projections.
	Uncertainty in the projections increases the further into the future they are taken. The projections will become increasingly unreliable as the

	start year moves further from the census in 2011. There will also be more uncertainty in the projections for smaller areas and smaller groups of people.
	More information can be found in the 'Main limitations of the projections' section of the latest <u>'Household projections for Scotland's Strategic Development Plan Areas and National Parks'</u> on the NRS website.
Completeness:	The published statistics provide projections for all four Strategic Development Plan areas and both National Parks. Statistics on Scotland and council areas can be found in the latest Household Projections for Scotland on the NRS website.
Comparability	The 2014-based household projections are not directly comparable with previous household projections. This is due to a change in the 2014-based sub-national population projections methodology, and a change in the geographies used for SDP areas and National Parks. This is described in more detail in 'Sources and methods' section of 'Household projections for Scotland's Strategic Development Plan Areas and National Parks' on the NRS website.
	<ul> <li>Household estimates and projections for other parts of the UK are available from the following sources:</li> <li>England – within the <u>Department for Communities and Local Government</u> Statistics section of the Gov.uk website (the <u>Office for National Statistics (ONS)</u> will take responsibility for the production and publication of future household projections in England).</li> <li>Wales – <u>Welsh Assembly Government</u> website</li> <li>Northern Ireland – <u>Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency</u> website</li> </ul>
	There are many similarities between the projections, but also some subtle differences between methods. A joint report containing a broad comparison of the household projection methodologies across the UK can be found on the Welsh Government website. The report was published in 2011, therefore it doesn't include the changes we've made to our method or any changes that may have been made by other parts of the UK. However it provides a useful starting point in understanding the methods used by each country.
Accessibility	It is the policy of National Records of Scotland (NRS) to make its website and products accessible according to published guidelines. More information is available in the <a href="Accessibility">Accessibility</a> section of the NRS website.
Coherence and clarity	The statistics are provided in Excel, PDF and CSV formats. They are designed to be consistent, and incorporate comparable historical data where appropriate.
	PDF versions are provided in 5 yearly intervals and there is an Excel version with details for all years on the website, alongside variant (low and high migration) projection tables.
Value type and unit of measure	Household projections are provided by area, by type of household (for example 1 adult male, 2 adults 1+ children) and by age of head of household.

Official Statistics designation	National Statistics.
UK Statistics Authority Assessment	The UK Statistics Authority has designated these statistics as National Statistics, in accordance with the Statistics and Registration Service Act 2007 and signifying compliance with the Code of Practice for Official Statistics (report can be found within the <a href="UK Statistics">UK Statistics</a> Authority — Assessments section on the National Records of Scotland website).
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